

33392 to 33403—Continued.

33394. "*Suri*. A long, white grape; large clusters."

33395. "*Ubeidi*. A common variety used for making *arak* (spirits). About the same as *Miksâsi* from Bhamdun (S. P. I. No. 33115)."

33396. "*Khudud-ul-Banat* ('maidens' cheeks'). A pretty grape with a pinkish tinge."

33397. "*Zeini*. Like those of the same name from Bhamdun (S. P. I. No. 33117)."

33398. "*Mukhkh-ul-Baghl* (mule's head). A firm, red grape."

33399 to 33403. From Bludan, Anti-Lebanon, 5,000 to 5,500 feet altitude.

33399. "*Âsmi*. See same variety (S. P. I. No. 33114) from Bhamdun for note regarding this."

33400. "*Zeini*. See lot from Bhamdun (S. P. I. No. 33117)."

33401. "*Jubeili*. Large, round grape with very firm pulp, mottled red and greenish white."

33402. "*Kâsûfi-inti*. Same as variety by this name (S. P. I. No. 33118) sent from Bhamdun."

33403. "*Ubeidi*. Much the same as *Miksâsi* from Bhamdun (S. P. I. No. 33115)."

"These cuttings have each a short piece of an old branch with a longer piece of a new one. The custom here is to bury the old and most of the new, leaving only a small part of the new branch projecting from the ground."

33404. LATHYRUS SATIVUS L.

From Werchne dneprowsky Experiment Field, Russia. Presented by Mr. Alexander Kol, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner for the Russian Government, St. Louis, Mo. Received April 12, 1912.

"This plant proved one of the most productive grain legumes and very drought resistant in my experiments at Werchne dneprowsky Experiment Field.

"It is an annual and matures about the same time as lentils, but is about twice higher. The habit half-standing bushes, so that harvesting is not too difficult. The plant is richly supplied with 2-seeded pods that mature all at once and do not shatter very much. It can be sown quite thickly in rows, which do not need to be farther apart than 1 foot. It appreciates cultivation, but can do without it. I cultivated once or twice with a garden hoe (one wheel). It yields with me (average for three years) 1,200 pounds of grain per acre. It requires early sowing, the same as grain cereals. The straw looks a little rough, but it is nice food for stock and amounts to one and one-half or twice the grain yield." (*Kol*.)

33405. CRYPTOSTEGIA GRANDIFLORA R. Brown.

From western Mexico. Secured by Dr. J. N. Rose, of the United States National Museum, from a Mr. Tays. Presented through Mr. G. N. Collins, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received April 5, 1912.

"Seed of an African rubber-producing vine. The plant produces a good quality of rubber, but, so far as I know, it has never been successfully cultivated. It might be of interest to have it tried in some of our tropical islands in comparison with other rubber-producing plants." (*Collins*.)

Distribution.—A climbing vine with large lavender flowers, supposed to be a native of Madagascar and cultivated in various parts of India and in Egypt.